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In re Patent Application of) Attorney Docket No.: **SUGI0166**
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For: METHOD FOR WATER) Examiner: William M. McCallister
HAMMERLESS OPENING OF FLUID)
PASSAGE, AND METHOD FOR)
SUPPLYING CHEMICAL)
SOLUTIONS AND DEVICE FOR)
WATER HAMMERLESS OPENING)
FOR WHICH THE METHOD IS)
USED) Date: August 12, 2009

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 30, 2009, and in view of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please amend the application identified above as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.